



STATE OF ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
DIVISION OF PURCHASING

INVITATION TO BID

INVITATION TO BID NO: 09-R-2207304

REQ. AGENCY : 012061
ALA DEPT OF TRANS - EQUIP BUREAU
AGENCY REQ. NO. : G09-900647
T-NUMBER :
DATE ISSUED : 07/10/09
VENDOR NO. :
VENDOR PHONE NO. :
SNAP REQ. NO. : 1417424
BUYER NAME : SUSAN JANA

FOR: CHASSIS-021
(RE-BID)

BUYER PHONE NO. : (334) 242-7173-
PURCHASING PHONE NO: (334) 242-7250

BID MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE:
DATE: 07/23/09 TIME: 5:00 PM

BIDS WILL BE PUBLICLY OPENED:
DATE: 07/24/09 TIME: 10:00 AM

TO BE COMPLETED BY VENDOR

INFORMATION IN THIS SECTION SHOULD BE PROVIDED, AS APPROPRIATE. BID RESPONSE
MUST BE IN INK OR TYPED WITH ORIGINAL SIGNATURE AND NOTARIZATION.

1. DELIVERY: CAN BE MADE _____ DAYS OR _____ WEEKS AFTER RECEIPT OF ORDER
2. TERMS: _____(DISCOUNTS ARE TAKEN WITHOUT REGARD TO DATE OF PAYMENT.)
3. PRICE VALID FOR ACCEPTANCE WITHIN _____ DAYS.
4. VENDOR QUOTATION REFERENCE NUMBER, IF ANY: _____
(THIS NUMBER WILL APPEAR ON THE PURCHASE ORDER.)
5. E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____
INTERNET WEBSITE: _____
6. GENERAL CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NO: _____
TYPE OF G.C. LICENSE: _____
RETURN INVITATION TO BID:

US MAIL

STATE OF ALABAMA
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
DIVISION OF PURCHASING
P O BOX 302620
MONTGOMERY, AL 36130-2620

COURIER

STATE OF ALABAMA
DIVISION OF PURCHASING
RSA UNION BUILDING
100 N. UNION ST., SUITE 192
MONTGOMERY, AL 36104

***** IMPORTANT NOTE: *****

BIDDERS MUST COMPLY WITH ALL "BID RESPONSE INSTRUCTIONS" ON PAGE 2, TO INCLUDE
ITEM 7 - COPY REQUIREMENT.

SIGNATURE AND NOTARIZATION REQUIRED

I HAVE READ THE ENTIRE BID AND AGREE TO FURNISH EACH ITEM OFFERED AT THE PRICE QUOTED.
I HERBY AFFIRM I HAVE NOT BEEN IN ANY AGREEMENT OR COLLUSION AMONG BIDDERS IN
RESTRAINT OF FREEDOM OF COMPETITION BY AGREEMENT TO BID AT A FIXED PRICE OR TO
REFRAIN FROM BIDDING.

SWORN TO AND

FEIN OR SSN

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE (INK)

SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS

COMPANY NAME

TYPE/PRINT AUTHORIZED NAME

_____ DAY OF _____

MAIL ADDRESS

TITLE

NOTARY PUBLIC

CITY, STATE, ZIP

TOLL FREE NUMBER

TERM EXP: _____

PHONE INCLUDING AREA CODE

FAX NUMBER

STANDARD TERMS & CONDITIONS

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AUTHORITY:

THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE CODE OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE, CHAPTER 355-4-1 EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 20, 2001 IS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE AND MADE A PART OF THIS DOCUMENT. TO RECEIVE A COPY CALL (334)242-7250, OR OUR WEBSITE WWW.PURCHASING.ALABAMA.GOV .

INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE TO MINORITY BUSINESSES IN THE TECHNICAL COMPLETION OF REQUIRED FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE OFFICE OF MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE, 1-800-447-4191.

BID (ITB) RESPONSE INSTRUCTIONS

REV: 04/07/09

1. TO SUBMIT A RESPONSIVE BID, READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS, ALL TERMS, CONDITIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS.
2. BID ENVELOPES/PACKAGES/BOXES MUST BE IDENTIFIED ON FRONT, PREFERABLY LOWER LEFT CORNER AND BE VISIBLE WITH THE BID NUMBER AND OPENING DATE. EACH INDIVIDUAL BID (IDENTIFIED BY A UNIQUE BID NUMBER) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN A SEPERATE ENVELOPE. RESPONSES TO MULTIPLE BID NUMBERS SUBMITTED IN THE SAME ENVELOPE/COURIER PACKAGE, THAT ARE NOT IN SEPARATE ENVELOPES PROPERLY IDENTIFIED, WILL BE REJECTED. THE DIVISION OF PURCHASING DOES NOT ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR LATE BIDS FOR ANY REASON INCLUDING THOSE DUE TO POSTAL, OR COURIER SERVICE. BID RESPONSES MUST BE IN THE DIVISION OF PURCHASING OFFICE PRIOR TO THE "RECEIVE DATE AND TIME" INDICATED ON THE BID.
3. BID RESPONSES (PAGE 1, PRICE SHEET AND ADDENDUMS (WHEN SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED)) MUST BE IN INK OR TYPED ON THIS DOCUMENT. OR EXACT FORMAT WITH SIGNATURES BEING HANDWRITTEN ORIGINALS IN INK (PERSON SIGNING BID, NOTARY, AND NOTARY EXPIRATION), OR THE BID WILL BE REJECTED. UNLESS INDICATED IN THE BID, ALL PRICE PAGES MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED. IF AN ITEM IS NOT BEING BID, IDENTIFY IT AS NB (NO-BID). PAGES SHOULD BE SECURED. THE DIVISION OF PURCHASING DOES NOT ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR MISSING PAGES. FAXED BID RESPONSES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
4. THE UNIT PRICE ALWAYS GOVERNS REGARDLESS OF THE EXTENDED AMOUNT. A UNIT PRICE CHANGE ON A LINE MUST BE INITIALED BY THE PERSON SIGNING THE BID, OR THAT LINE WILL BE REJECTED. THIS INCLUDES A CROSS-OUT, STRIKE-OVER, INK-OVER, WHITE-OUT, ERASURE, OR ANY OTHER METHOD CHANGING THE PRICE.
5. A "NO BID" MUST BE RETURNED TO REMAIN ON A CLASS/SUBCLASS. RETURN PAGE 1 MARKED "NO-BID". IDENTIFY IT ON THE ENVELOPE AS A "NO-BID". FAILING TO RESPOND TO 3 ITB'S WITHIN THE SAME CLASS/SUBCLASS WILL AUTOMATICALLY PURGE THE VENDOR FROM THAT CLASS/SUBCLASS. RESPONDING WITH 6 "NO-BIDS" WITHIN THE SAME CLASS/SUBCLASS WILL AUTOMATICALLY PURGE THE VENDOR FROM THAT CLASS/SUBCLASS. A "NO-BID" RECEIVED LATE IS CONSIDERED A NO RESPONSE.
6. THE DIVISION OF PURCHASING IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR MISINTERPRETATION OF DATA FAXED FROM THIS OFFICE.
7. THE DIVISION OF PURCHASING REQUIRES AN ORIGINAL AND A MINIMUM OF ONE COMPLETE EXACT COPY (TO INCLUDE SIGNATURE AND NOTARY) OF THE INVITATION-TO-BID RESPONSE. THE ORIGINAL AND THE COPY SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TOGETHER AS A BID PACKAGE.
8. AN IMPROPERLY SUBMITTED BID, LATE BID, OR BID THAT IS CANCELLED ON OR BEFORE THE OPENING DATE WILL BE HELD FOR 90 DAYS AND THEN DESTROYED. THE BID MUST BE RETRIEVED DURING REGULAR WORK HOURS, MONDAY - FRIDAY, EXCEPT STATE HOLIDAYS. AFTER THE BID IS DESTROYED, THE DIVISION OF PURCHASING ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE DOCUMENT.

DISQUALIFIED/CANCELLED BID

BIDS THAT ARE IMPROPERLY SUBMITTED OR RECEIVED LATE WILL BE A RESPONSE FOR RECORD, BUT WILL NOT BE RETURNED OR A NOTIFICATION MAILED.

THE FOLLOWING IS A PARTIAL LIST WHEREBY A BID RESPONSE WILL BE DISQUALIFIED:

BID NUMBER NOT ON FACE OF ENVELOPE/COURIER PACKAGE/BOX
RESPONSES TO MULTIPLE BID NUMBERS IN SAME ENVELOPE NOT PROPERLY IDENTIFIED
BID RECEIVED LATE
BID NOT SIGNED/NOT ORIGINAL SIGNATURE
BID NOT NOTARIZED/NOT ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF NOTARY AND/OR NO NOTARY EXPIRATION
NOTARIZED OWN SIGNATURE
REQUIRED INFORMATION NOT SUBMITTED WITH BID
FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL BID AND A COMPLETE EXACT COPY WILL RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE BID RESPONSE
FAILURE TO MARK RESPONSES AS "ORIGINAL" AND/OR "COPY" COULD RESULT IN THE ENTIRE BID RESPONSE BEING REJECTED

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ACT NO. 2006-557

ALABAMA LAW (SECTION 41-4-116, CODE OF ALABAMA 1975) PROVIDES THAT EVERY BID SUBMITTED AND CONTRACT EXECUTED SHALL CONTAIN A CERTIFICATION THAT THE VENDOR, CONTRACTOR, AND ALL OF ITS AFFILIATES THAT MAKE SALES FOR DELIVERY INTO ALABAMA OR LEASES FOR USE IN ALABAMA ARE REGISTERED, COLLECTING, AND REMITTING ALABAMA STATE AND LOCAL SALES, USE, AND/OR LEASE TAX ON ALL TAXABLE SALES AND LEASES INTO ALABAMA. BY SUBMITTING THIS BID, THE BIDDER IS HEARBY CERTIFYING THAT THEY ARE IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH ACT NO. 2006-557, THEY ARE NOT BARRED FROM BIDDING OR ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT PURSUANT TO 41-4-116, AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE AWARDING AUTHORITY MAY DECLARE THE CONTRACT VOID IF THE CERTIFICATION IS FALSE.

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INTENT TO AWARD

EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2008, THE STATE OF ALABAMA - DIVISION OF PURCHASING WILL ISSUE AN 'INTENT TO AWARD' BEFORE A FINAL AWARD IS MADE. THE 'INTENT TO AWARD' WILL CONTINUE FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) CALENDAR DAYS, AFTER WHICH A PURCHASE ORDER WILL BE PRODUCED. UPON FINAL AWARD, ALL RIGHTS TO PROTEST ARE FORFEITED. A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF THIS PROCESS MAY BE REVIEWED IN THE ALABAMA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE - CHAPTER 355-4-1(14).

ALTERNATE BID RESPONSE

UNLESS STATED ELSEWHERE IN THIS INVITATION-TO-BID (ITB) THE STATE OF ALABAMA WILL ACCEPT AND EVALUATE ALTERNATE BID SUBMITTALS ON ANY ITB'S. ALTERNATE BID RESPONSES WILL BE EVALUATED ACCORDING TO THE REQUIREMENTS AS ALL OTHER RESPONSES TO THIS ITB.

INTERNET WEBSITE LINK'S

INTERNET AND/OR WEBSITE LINKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IN BID RESPONSES AS A MEANS TO SUPPLY ANY REQUIREMENTS STATED IN THIS ITB (INVITATION-TO-BID).

PRODUCT DELIVERY, RECEIVING AND ACCEPTANCE

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNIVERSAL COMMERCE CODE (CODE OF ALABAMA, TITLE 7), AFTER DELIVERY, THE STATE OF ALABAMA HAS THE RIGHT TO INSPECT ALL PRODUCTS BEFORE ACCEPTING. THE STATE WILL INSPECT PRODUCTS IN A REASONABLE TIMEFRAME. SIGNATURE ON A DELIVERY DOCUMENT DOES NOT CONSTITUTE ACCEPTANCE BY THE STATE. THE STATE WILL ACCEPT PRODUCTS ONLY AFTER SATISFACTORY INSPECTION.

SALES TAX EXEMPTION

PURSUANT TO THE CODE OF ALABAMA, 1975, TITLE 40-23-4 (A) (11), THE STATE OF ALABAMA IS EXEMPT FROM PAYING SALES TAX. AN EXEMPTION LETTER WILL BE FURNISHED UPON REQUEST.

INVOICES

INQUIRIES CONCERNING PAYMENT AFTER INVOICES HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED ARE TO BE DIRECTED TO THE RECEIVING AGENCY, NOT THE DIVISION OF PURCHASING

BID RESPONSES AND BID RESULTS

UNEVALUATED BID RESPONSES (NOT BID RESULTS) ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEB SITE AT WWW.PURCHASING.ALABAMA.GOV. BID RESULTS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW IN THE DIVISION OF PURCHASING OFFICE, BUT ONLY AFTER THE BID HAS BEEN AWARDED. WE DO NOT FAX OR MAIL COPIES OF BID RESULTS. IF A VENDOR WISHES TO REVIEW BID RESULTS IN OUR OFFICE, THEY SHOULD FAX THEIR REQUEST TO REVIEW THE BID TWO DAYS IN ADVANCE TO THE "BID REVIEW CLERK" AT (334) 242-4419. BE SURE TO REFERENCE THE BID NUMBER.

FOREIGN CORPORATION - CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

ALABAMA LAW PROVIDES THAT A FOREIGN CORPORATION (AN OUT-OF-STATE COMPANY/FIRM) MAY NOT TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA UNTIL IT OBTAINS A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE. SECTION 10-2B-15.01, CODE OF ALABAMA 1975. TO OBTAIN FORMS FOR A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY, CONTACT THE SECRETARY OF STATE, CORPORATIONS DIVISION, (334) 242-5324. THE CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY DOES NOT KEEP THE VENDOR FROM SUBMITTING A BID.

BID IDENTIFICATION

REFERENCE PAGE 2, ITEM 2. DUE TO THE POSTAL SERVICE PUTTING BAR CODE LABELS ON ENVELOPES, IT CONCEALS THE BID NUMBER AND DATE IF THE VENDOR HAS WRITTEN THEM OTHER THAN THE LOWER LEFT CORNER, THEREFORE THE BID WOULD BE REJECTED FOR NOT BEING PROPERLY IDENTIFIED.

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AWARD:

AWARD WILL BE MADE TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER MEETING ALL SPECIFICATIONS.

DELIVERY:

AWARDED VENDOR MUST COORDINATE DELIVERY WITH AGENCY PERSONNEL.

RAY JOHNSTON @ (334) 242-6266
ALABAMA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION
EQUIPMENT BUREAU
1409 COLISEUM BLVD
MONTGOMERY, AL 36110
(021-09-2-2)

FREIGHT:

BID IS F.O.B. DESTINATION. ANY FREIGHT CHARGES MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE BID PRICE AND NOT SHOWN SEPARATELY ON THE ITB OR INVOICE.

PRORATION:

ANY PROVISION OF A CONTRACT RESULTING FROM THIS BID TO THE CONTRARY NOTWITHSTANDING, IN THE EVENT OF FAILURE OF THE STATE TO MAKE PAYMENT HEREUNDER AS A RESULT OF PARTIAL UNAVAILABILITY, AT THE TIME SUCH PAYMENT IS DUE, OF SUCH SUFFICIENT REVENUES OF THE STATE TO MAKE SUCH PAYMENT (PRORATION OF APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR THE STATE HAVING BEEN DECLARED BY THE GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-4-90 OF THE CODE OF ALABAMA 1975), THE CONTRACTOR SHALL HAVE THE OPTION, IN ADDITION TO THE OTHER REMEDIES OF THE CONTRACT, OF RENEGOTIATING THE CONTRACT (EXTENDING OR CHANGING PAYMENT TERMS OR AMOUNTS) OR TERMINATING THE CONTRACT.

DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE:

THE BRANDS AND MODEL NUMBERS REFERENCED PROVIDE A LEVEL OF QUALITY, AND UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED, ARE NOT RESTRICTIVE. VENDORS BIDDING ALTERNATE ITEMS MUST PROVIDE COMPLETE DESCRIPTIVE/TECHNICAL LITERATURE WITH BOTH THE ORIGINAL AND REQUIRED COPY OF THE BID. REFERENCE TO A WEBSITE OR TO LITERATURE WITH A PREVIOUS BID WILL NOT SATISFY THIS REQUIREMENT.

PHYSICAL INSPECTION AND OPERATIONAL EVALUATION MAY ALSO BE REQUIRED WITHOUT COST OR OBLIGATION TO THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

BIDS NOT ACCOMPANIED BY DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE WILL BE ACCEPTED AS BIDDING AS SPECIFIED.

NEW EQUIPMENT:

ALL EQUIPMENT MUST BE NEW AND UNUSED AND ACCEPTABLE BY THE ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURER FOR THEIR MAINTENANCE.

REQUESTED INFORMATION:

ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUESTED FROM A VENDOR MUST BE FURNISHED WITHIN FIVE (5) BUSINESS DAYS FROM RECEIPT OF REQUEST.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

THE AWARDED VENDOR MUST FURNISH THE WARRANTY CARD AND SERVICE POLICY, AS WELL AS 2 SETS OF PARTS BOOKS, SERVICE MANUALS, TECHNICAL MANUALS, AND OPERATOR'S MANUALS UPON DELIVERY.

WARRANTY INFORMATION:

EQUIPMENT SHALL BE WARRANTED FOR A MINIMUM OF TWELVE (12) MONTHS. WARRANTY SHALL COVER ALL PARTS, LABOR & FREIGHT COST ASSOCIATED WITH REPAIRS AND/OR REPLACEMENT OF DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT. ACCIDENTS, MISUSE AND NEGLIGENCE ARE NOT COVERED BY THIS WARRANTY. THE WARRANTY SHALL COMMENCE ON THE DATE THE EQUIPMENT IS PUT INTO SERVICE BY THE USING

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AGENCY. VENDOR WILL USE WHATEVER MEANS REQUIRED TO FACILITATE THIS WARRANTY, AND WILL INSURE TOTAL SATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE TO THE USING AGENCY.

VENDOR QUALIFICATION:

IF REQUESTED, VENDOR MUST PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION OF BEING AN AUTHORIZED MANUFACTURER'S REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE PRODUCTS LISTED. FAILURE TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION, IF REQUESTED, WILL RESULT IN BID REJECTION.

ATTACHMENTS

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***** IMPORTANT INFORMATION *****

IT IS THE VENDOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO READ THIS ENTIRE DOCUMENT FROM BEGINNING TO END AND TO COMPLY WITH ALL INSTRUCTIONS AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BID.

REMINDER: BIDDERS MUST SUBMIT AN ORIGINAL AND A MINIMUM OF ONE EXACT, COMPLETE COPY (INCLUDING SIGNATURE, NOTARY, & DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE) OF THE BID, AS PER PG. 2 OF THE ITB, OR THE BID WILL BE REJECTED.

REMINDER: DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE MUST ACCOMPANY THE ORIGINAL AND THE REQUIRED COPY OF THE BID, IF AN ALTERNATE IS BEING BID. BIDS NOT ACCOMPANIED BY DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE WILL BE ACCEPTED AS BIDDING AS SPECIFIED.

FOR SPECIFICATION QUESTIONS, CONTACT THE AGENCY:
RAY JOHNSTON @ (334) 242-6266

FOR PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS, CONTACT THE BUYER:
SUSAN JANA @ (334) 242-7173 OR SUSAN.JANA@PURCHASING.ALABAMA.GOV

PRICE SHEET

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LINE NO.	COMMODITY/SERVICE DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED AMOUNT
UNLESS SPECIFIED OTHERWISE BELOW: SHIP TO: 012061 / 012M01 ALA DEPT OF TRANS - EQUIP BUREAU GO 1409 COLISEUM BLVD. ROOM F101 MONTGOMERY AL 36110					
00001	COMMODITY CODE: 070-51-086680 CHASSIS, TRUCK/TRACTOR 66,000 GVWR NEW LATEST MODEL TO INCLUDE ALL STANDARD EQUIPMENT FOR THE BASE MODEL WITH THE FOLLOWING SPECS: STANDARD ALUMINUM CAB CAB TO AXLE: 164" MINIMUM TANDEM AXLE TIRES TO MEET THE 66,000 GVWR COLOR: MFR WHITE W/MATCHING INTERIOR TITLE APPLICATIONS FOR ALABAMA DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION -- ENSURE TITLES ARE ADDRESSED AS FOLLOWS: ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT BUREAU 1409 COLISEUM BLVD MONTGOMERY, AL 36110	1	EA		

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